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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

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- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
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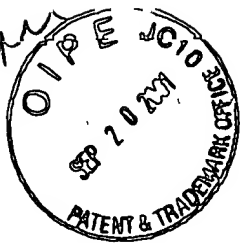
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In re the Application of:

Hiroaki Niimi, et al.

Serial No: 09/885,744

Filed: 06/20/01

For: Method for Annealing Ultra-Thin, High Quality Gate Oxide Layers Using Oxidizer/Hydrogen Mixtures

Docket No.: TI-32705

Art Unit: 2812

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Missing Parts dated August 21, 2001 please charge the fee of \$130.00 for the surcharge under 37 CFR 1.27 to Deposit Account No. 20-0668 of Texas Instruments Incorporated.

Please find enclosed the Declaration/Power of Attorney (2 pages), an Assignment with Form PTO 1595 and formal drawings for the above-referenced case. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required. **This sheet is submitted in triplicate.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are **FIVE (5)** sheets of formal drawings for the above-referenced case.
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